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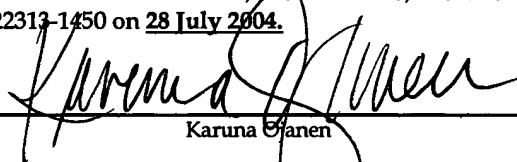|			
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Please find enclosed 11 sheets of formal drawings of Figures 1 , 2A, 2B as amended, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4, 5A, 5B, 6 and 7 as amended.
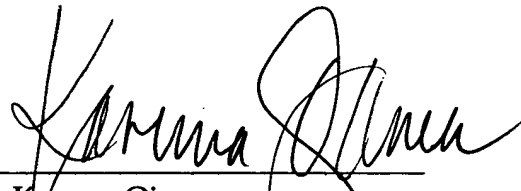
Please amend Figures 2B and 7 as shown in red and as explained herein.

In Figure 2B, please delete the reference numeral 276 and insert 292 as indicated. Support in the originally filed specification is given on page 18, line 20 which states, "[a]n arrow 292 extends between the DB2 agent 220 and the DLFM 230."

In Figure 7, please insert a double-arrowed line between the distributed filesystem server 886 and the distributed filesystem client 854. Support in the originally filed specification is given on page 11, lines 17-19 which states, "[t]he distributed file system server 886 of the file server 880 is bi-directionally coupled (indicated by dashed line) to the distributed file system client 854 of the client 830."

No new matter has been added resulting from these proposed changes.

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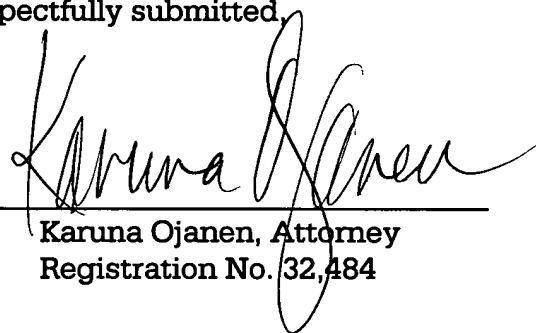
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